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Applicants : Raymond Nadeson et al.
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PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER 37 CFR §1.102(d)
FOR APPLICATIONS RELATING TO BIOTECHNOLOGY
FILED BY APPLICANTS WHO ARE SMALL ENTITIES

Dear Sir:

Petition is hereby made to the Commissioner for the above-identified application to be made special so that it may be advanced out of turn for examination and grant of patent pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.102 (d).

In accordance with the M.P.E.P. §708.02, Part XII, Special Status for Applications Relating to Biotechnology Filed by Applicants who are Small Entities, request is made that this application be accorded special status due to the fact that this small entity must demonstrate the ability to obtain a United States Patent in order to assure more funding and development of the technology. As a showing of this fact, accompanying this petition is a Declaration by the CEO of the Applicant, Dr Ian Cooke, stating that CNSBio is in fact a small entity of less than 50 employees and that further funding of the company and thus further development of the technology is closely tied to obtaining an issued United States Patent.

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In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully requested that this petition to make the present application special be granted. The fee required with this petition in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(h) is submitted herewith.

Respectfully submitted,

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'W. T. Christiansen', written over a horizontal line.

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Declaration of Dr. Ian Cooke Under 37 CFR 1.102(d)

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